

WASHOE COUNTY

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STAFF REPORT BOARD MEETING DATE: April 25, 2017

CM/ACM	<u> </u>
Finance	X
DA	x
Risk Mgt	n/a
HR	n/a
Other	

DATE:

March 31, 2017

TO:

Board of County Commissioners

FROM:

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THROUGH: John Slaughter, County Manager

SUBJECT: Approve Commission District Special Fund disbursement [in the amount of \$1,000] for Fiscal Year 2016-2017; District 5 Commissioner Jeanne Herman recommends [\$1,000] grant to Vya Conservation District; approve Resolution necessary for same; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary disbursement of funds. (Commission District 5.)

SUMMARY

Approve resolution and transfer allocating district funds in the [total amount of \$1,000] for Commission District 5 to support the safe, secure, and healthy communities' initiative.

Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item: Safe, Secure and Healthy Communities

PREVIOUS ACTION

September 13, 2016 – Board of County Commissioners approved allocating district 5 funds in the amount of \$10,000 to Catholic Charities for the Crossroads Program and \$4,225 for additional Peavine Area Congested Shooting signage.

November 29, 2016 – Board of County Commissioners approved allocating district 5 funds in the amount of \$4,000 to towards the purchase a Self-Loading Gurney for the Gerlach Fire Department and \$775 to the Friends of Washoe County Library for the North Valleys Library remodel.

BACKGROUND

Modification of guidelines and adoption of resolution for County Commission District Special Funding on February 10, 2015 created Commission District Special Funds for each Commission District. On May 17, 2016 the Board of County Commissioners approved the

16-17 Fiscal year budget with special district funds allocated per Commission District in the amount of \$20,000. The monies appropriated are to support needs for all Washoe County residents.

Funds appropriated through the Commission District Special Funds must provide substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the County. The recipient must be a non-profit organization, created for religious, charitable or educational purposes, or a government entity. Funds shall not provide any personal or private benefit for the Commissioners, direction or indirectly benefit any campaign efforts by a commission, violate Ethics in Government law, or be used to purchase tickets to special events.

Commissioner Herman has elected to support the following organization in fiscal year 2016-17:

District 5:

Vya Conservation District [\$1,000]. This grant will support the Vya Conservation District's mission of fostering and supporting natural resource conservation through leadership, education, technical, and financial assistance to implement and ensure sustainable use of Northwestern Nevada's natural resources.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds have been included in the FY 2016-2017 approved budget under Commission District Constituent cost centers: District 5 – 100105/710400. This action requests approval and distribution of a [total of \$1,000] as outlined above.

RECOMMENDATION

Approve recommendation for Commission District Special Fund disbursement [in the amount of \$1,000] for Fiscal Year 2016-2017; District 5 Commissioner Jeanne Herman recommends [\$1,000] grant to the Vya Conservation District; approve Resolution necessary for same; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary disbursement of funds.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be: "Move to approve Commission District Special Fund disbursement [in the amount of \$1,000] for Fiscal Year 2016-2017; District 5 Commissioner Jeanne Herman recommends [\$1,000] grant to the Vya Conservation District; approve Resolution necessary for same; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary disbursement of funds."

<u>RESOLUTION</u> – Authorizing the Grant of Public Monies to a Nonprofit Organization Created for Religious, Charitable or Educational Purposes

WHEREAS, NRS 244.1505 provides that a Board of County Commissioners may expend money for any purpose which will provide a substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the County and that a board may make a grant of money to a nonprofit organization created for religious, charitable or educational purposes or to a governmental entity to be expended for a selected purpose; and

WHEREAS, The Board of County Commissioners of Washoe County upon the recommendation of Commissioner Jeanne Herman for District 5, has determined that \$1,000 will be granted to Vya Conservation District to support their mission; and

WHEREAS, the Vya Conservation District's mission is to foster and support natural resource conservation through leadership, education, technical, and financial assistance to implement and ensure sustainable use of Northwestern Nevada's natural resources.; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County that:

- 1. The Board hereby grants to the Vya Conservation District, a grant for fiscal year 2016-2017 in the amount of \$1,000.
- 2. The Board finds that in making this grant a substantial benefit will be provided to the mission of the Vya Conservation District which fosters and supports natural resource conservation through leadership, education, technical, and financial assistance to implement and ensure sustainable use of Northwestern Nevada's natural resources.
- 3. The maximum allowable expended for this effort within Commission District Special Funding Accounts is \$1,000 and funds shall not be used to purchase of tickets to special events.

ADOPTED this 25th day of April, 2	.017.
	Bob Lucey, Chair
	Washoe County Commission
ATTEST:	
County Clerk	